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Classified By: Pol/C Joseph Legend Novak, reasons 1.4 (b+d).

11. (C) SUMMARY: Mission reviewed latest points re Zimbabwe with GOI contacts, focusing on key aspects of the draft resolution. Pol/C noted the regime's use of violence and the completely illegitimate election, stressing that the Security Council had to react in a strong, convincing manner. Contacts at the Presidential Palace and the Department of Foreign Affairs took the USG points on board, saying they would carefully review the draft text and discuss the matter with Indonesia's mission in New York. END SUMMARY.

12. (SBU) On July 2, Pol/C reviewed USG points related to Zimbabwe and the draft UN Security Council resolution with Tri Sukma Djandam of the President's office of International Affairs and Fikry Cassidy of the International Security Office of the Department of Foreign Affairs (DEPLU). Mission also provided points to DEPLU's America's Desk.

13. (C) Pol/C noted that the USG supported a draft UN Security Council resolution that would address the continuing violence, the completely flawed electoral process and the growing humanitarian crisis. The situation was a crisis internally in Zimbabwe, but it had serious regional implications, too. The Mugabe regime had not reacted at all to the points contained in the UNSC's June 23 President Statement (PRSC). The regime proceeded with its sham election on June 27 and the violence continues. The UNSC and international community needs to react firmly and take steps. The draft resolution makes the key points about the need for an end to all violence and for the regime to begin a genuine political dialogue, Pol/C emphasized. The new resolution proposes an arms embargo, and an asset freeze and travel ban against key regime figures involved in the violence. These steps are necessary to show that the international community is serious in its intent.

¶4. (C) Contacts at the Presidential Palace and the Department of Foreign Affairs took the USG points on board, saying they would carefully review the draft text and discuss the matter with Indonesia's mission in New York. Pol/C urged that the GOI discuss the USG points with its New York mission as soon as possible given the informal consultations slated to begin on July 2.

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